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Art Unit	2827
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION WITH SUBMISSION

UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the following amendment and consideration of the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The following amendments are made using the new amendment format. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 are waived in favor of the new format.